GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:242
ANSWERED ON:22.07.2004
UTILISATION OF RESERVED FUND OF SGRY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is permissible under SGRY, more particularly under 22.5 percent reserved fund of the Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) to create durable socio-economic assets like village concrete roads, market complexes and water bodies, etc;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) how the individuals will be benefited under 22.5 percent reserve fund intended to benefit the poor SC/ST under the SGRY Guidelines?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.242 DUE FOR REPLY ON 22.7.2004

(a), (b) & (c) : According to the SGRY Guidelines, 22.5% of resources released to the District Panchayat and Intermediate Panchayats shall be used for individual works for SCs/STs below poverty line. Works like village concrete roads, market complexes and water bodies are not to be undertaken with these earmarked funds. The illustrative list of economic assets/works which can be taken up for the benefit of identified SCs/STs is as under: -

(i) Development of allotted land;

(ii) Social forestry works like fuelwood and fodder plantations on the private lands belonging to SCs/STs;

(iii) Agri-horticulture, floriculture, horticulture plantation on the private lands belonging to SCs/STs;

(iv) Work sheds or infrastructure for any self-employment programme;

(v) Open irrigation wells/bore-wells for irrigation;

(vi) Pond excavation primarily for pisciculture; etc.